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GENERAL STATISTICS

Area (in acres)	24,735
Registrar General's Estimate of Population	6,610
Number of inhabited houses	2,163
Rateable value	£ 175,943
Net product of new penny rate	£ 1,605. 10p

VITAL STATISTICS

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Live Births - Legitimate	43	31	74
Illegitimate	4	2	6
Still Births - Legitimate	1	-	1
Illegitimate	-	-	-

Rate for District

Rate for England
and Wales 1970

	<u>Crude</u>	<u>Corrected</u>	
Live Birth Rate	12.1	14.4	16.0
Death Rate	8.2	6.2	11.7
Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 live births		Nil	18.0

CAUSES OF DEATH

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Malignant Neoplasm, Oesophagus	2	1
do. Stomach	2	-
do. Intestine	1	3
do. Lung, Bronchus	5	-
do. Breast	-	1
Leukaemia	1	1
Other Malignant Neoplasms	2	3
Diabetes Mellitus	1	1
Anaemias	-	1
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	1	2
Hypertensive Disease	-	1
Ischaemic Heart Disease	4	3
Other Forms of Heart Disease	2	-
Cerebrovascular Disease	2	3
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	1	1
Pneumonia	1	1
Bronchitis & Emphysema	4	-
Other causes of Perinatal Mortality	1	-
Motor Vehicle Accidents	2	-
	<u>32</u>	<u>22</u>

PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS
AND OTHER DISEASES

Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) during the year
1970

Disease	Under 1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{4}{5}$	$\frac{5}{10}$	$\frac{10}{15}$	$\frac{15}{25}$	$\frac{25}{35}$	$\frac{35}{45}$	$\frac{45}{64}$	$\frac{65\&}{over}$	Age unknown
Measles	-	9	14	20	27	71	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	-	-	1	2	1	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Tuberculosis

New cases and mortality during 1970

One new case reported during the year.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

WATER

Supply

Sources of supply for the district remained unchanged as follows:

(a) Leicester Corporation's Welland Valley borehole to the parishes of:-

Uppingham
Lyddington
Thorpe-by-Water
Ayston
Bisbrooke
Seaton
Stoke Dry
Glaston

(b) Leicester Corporation's River Dove source to the parishes of:-

North Luffenham
South Luffenham
Morcott
Wing
Preston
Ridlington
Pilton
Belton

(c) Oundle & Thrapston R.D.C.'s borehole at Tixover (bulk supply to the parish of Barrowden).

(d) Mid-Northamptonshire Water Board supply to the parish of Caldecott.

(e) Two small parishes are without public main supply, i.e. Wardley (population 22) and Beaumont Chase (population 6). At Wardley a good piped supply is available from a private estate.

Quantity & Quality

No centre of population in the district (excepting Wardley adequately supplied privately) is without public mains supply. Only a few isolated properties are outside the range of water mains. None of the mains supplies have plumbo-solvent characteristics.

The City of Leicester Water Department and the Mid-Northamptonshire Water Board have their own arrangements for sampling and examination of Water supplies and routine duplicate sampling is considered unnecessary.

Water Sampling

The number of wells used for supply of drinking water is small and, due to the requirements of work in other directions, no samples were taken from them during the year.

PUBLIC SWIMMING BATHS

There are no public swimming baths in the district. Uppingham School has its own swimming bath for the use of the boys and staff and the public are admitted at certain times.

Name of Parish	Supplied by Mains Water Direct		Supplied by Stand Pipe	
	Houses	Estimated Population	Houses	Estimated Population
Ayston	15	46	-	-
Barrowden	127	392	-	-
Belton	97	290	2	6
Bisbrooke	60	180	-	-
Caldecott	92	282	-	-
Glaston	59	178	-	-
Luffenham, North	180	482	2	6
Luffenham, South	120	342	-	-
Lyddington	125	368	-	-
Morcott	111	344	1	3
Pilton	8	20	-	-
Preston	73	226	-	-
Ridlington	62	192	-	-
Seaton	56	174	-	-
Stoke Dry	11	34	-	-
Thorpe-by-Water	12	35	-	-
Uppingham	855	2470	-	-
Wing	100	310	-	-
Totals	2163	6365	5	15

DRAINAGE & SEWERAGE

The sewered villages are:-

Barrowden
Belton
Bisbrooke
Caldecott
Glaston
Luffenham, North
Luffenham, South
Lyddington
Morcott
Preston (parts of)
Ridlington
Uppingham and
Wing

The sewered villages include 95% of the population of the district. Schemes are being prepared for three villages - Ayston, Seaton and the remainder of Preston. When the schemes are complete only about 2% of the population will be outside the sewered areas.

The surface aeration works at Uppingham produced a generally satisfactory effluent during the year. This works requires an excessive amount of technical management, is very susceptible to upset by surface water infiltration and climatic changes and is without general electrical and mechanical standby equipment.

The Council have continued to exercise compulsory closet conversion powers. The estimated closet accommodation for dwellings at the end of the year was

Pail Closets	38
Water Closets	2125

PUBLIC CLEANSING

A Ten-day refuse collection service was maintained. Although restriction of public access to the tip has helped control, the latter is still difficult. It is uneconomic to have available daily on such a small tip the equipment and labour necessary for fully controlled tipping. No progress was made in the year towards combining resources with adjoining authorities for joint refuse disposal.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949.

The specialist contractors appointed to do this work were efficient and dealt with complaints quickly and effectively.

The number of complaints of pests received was	58
The number of visits paid to premises was	132

A 10% test bait of sewered villages was carried out and a small follow-up treatment was necessary. In no case was a surface to sewer infestation found. There were 171 visits for sewer baiting.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

Particulars given here are for all purposes, including particulars given elsewhere in the report.

Total number of complaints received. 65

Total number of defects or nuisances discovered 38

<u>Nature of Inspections</u>	<u>Number of Inspections</u>	<u>Number of re-visits</u>
Water Supplies	-	-
Milk Supplies	-	-
Dwellinghouses	42	27
Tents, vans, etc.	16	-
Food premises	42	21
Offensive trades	-	-
Factories and Workshops	11	-
Drainage systems.	96	10
Sewage plant	17	302
Slaughterhouses	1	106
Meat & Foods	148	-
Infectious Disease	-	-
Refuse Collection and Disposal	39	171
Offices and Shops	16	-
Miscellaneous	27	5
Farm premises	-	-
Pests	52	93
	<u>507</u>	<u>735</u>

NOTICES

<u>Preliminary</u>	<u>Housing</u>	<u>Others</u>
Outstanding on 1st January 1970	1	3
Issued during the year	1	1
Complied with during the year	-	3
Statutory action necessary	-	-
Outstanding on 31st December, 1970	1	Nil

Statutory

Outstanding on 1st January, 1970	-	1
Issued during the year	-	Nil
Complied with during the year	-	1
Outstanding on 31st December, 1970	-	-

HOUSING

Grant-aided improvements continued to make the most effective contribution towards modernisation and saving houses from demolition or closure.

The following table shows the grant-aided work carried out in 1970.

Schemes	<u>"standard"</u>		<u>"Discretionary"</u>	
	owner-occupied	Tenanted	Owner-occupied	Tenanted
Approved	6	3	34	19
Completed	3	5	15	6

The number of unfit houses demolished during the year	1
The number of unfit houses closed during the year	1
The number of unfit houses made fit after formal action	-
The number of unfit houses remedied as a result of informal L.A. action	9
The number of new private dwellings completed	19
The number of new private dwellings under construction at the end of the year	12
The number of Council dwellings completed	18
The number of Council dwellings under construction at the end of the year	4

More dwellings for old people are still needed.

At the end of the year the number of applicants for accommodation on the Council's list approximated 150. Forty applications were from persons outside the district.

FOOD

Milk

Routine milk sampling was not done, due to pressure of duties in other directions.

Meat & Foods

One small slaughterhouse continued in use and 100% meat inspection for the year was carried out.

Carcases Inspected

Animals	Cattle (excluding cows)	Cows	Calves	Sheep & Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number Killed	201	Nil	9	853	180	Nil
Number Inspected	201	Nil	9	853	180	Nil

Amount Rejected (Percentage)

Rejected	Cattle	Sheep	Pigs
Carcases or parts of carcasses	Nil	Nil	Nil
Organs	3%	1%	1%
Stomachs & Intestines	Nil	Nil	Nil

Most of the organs condemned had parasitic infestations or abscesses.

3 tins of corned beef and one packaged beef joint were condemned due to decomposition.

Food Premises

1. No. of premises by type of business

Bakehouses	1
Dairies	1
Butchers' Shops	7
Hotels, Cafes and Inns serving food	11
Grocers' Shops (including Greengrocers etc).	34
Fish, fried	1
Fish, fresh	1
Premises for sale of Ice-cream	27

Note: Certain premises are automatically included under more than one sub-heading, e.g. Cafes and Ice-Cream premises.

2. No. of Food Premises registered under section 16 of the Food & Drugs Act, 1955.

Premises registered for the sale of Ice-Cream	27
Others	5

3. No. Dairies registered under the Milk & Dairies Regulations, 1949.

1

4. No. of inspections of registered Food Premises

26

5. Method of disposal of Condemned Food

Burnt or buried at the Council refuse tip

6. Examination of Food Consignments	Nil
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7. Poultry Inspection

There are no poultry processing premises within the district.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948.

No action was necessary during the year.

A P P E N D I X

FACTORIES ACTS 1961

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration
of the Factories Act, 1961

PART I OF THE ACT

1. INSPECTIONS for the Purpose of provision as to Health
(including inspection made by Public Health Inspector).

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Inspections (3)	Number of Written Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
(1) Factories in which sections 1,2,3,4, & 6 are to be enforced by local authorities	3	3	-	-
(2) Factories not included in (1) in which section 7 is enforced by the local authority	22	10	-	-
(3) Other premises in which section 7 is enforced by the local authority excluding out- workers premises	1	-	-	-
	26	13	-	-

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found

Nil

